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In re Application of:

Jeffrey A. Bull

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SAME

Examiner: M. Harvey

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Box Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant herein acknowledges the restriction requirement in the above-referenced application. Applicant hereby elects the claims of Group I, claims 9-16 and 31-54, without traverse.

Information Disclosure Statement

Applicant notes the filing of an Information Disclosure Statement herein on June 17, 1998 and notes that no copy of the PTO-1449 was returned with the outstanding Office Action. Applicant respectfully requests that the information cited on the PTO-1449 (which is the same as that of record to that date in the parent application hereto) be made of record herein.

Preliminary Amendment

Applicant's undersigned attorney notes the filing herein of a Preliminary Amendment on September 24, 1998, which filing was not acknowledged in the outstanding Office Action. Should the Preliminary Amendment have failed for some reason to have been entered in the Office file, Applicant's undersigned attorney will be happy to have a true copy thereof hand-delivered to the Examiner.

An early Office Action on the merits is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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